

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO

JOHN

The Eternal Word

1 IN the beginning ^awas the Word, and the ^bWord was ^cwith God, and the Word was ^dGod.

2 ^aHe was in the beginning with God.

3 ^aAll things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

4 ^aIn Him was life, and ^bthe life was the light of men.

5 And ^athe light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not ^ccomprehend it.

John's Witness: The True Light

6 There was a ^aman sent from God, whose name *was* John.

7 This man came for a ^awitness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might ^bbelieve.

8 He was not that Light, but *was sent* to bear witness of that ^aLight.

9 ^aThat¹ was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world.

10 He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and ^athe world did not know Him.

11 ^aHe came to His ¹own, and His ²own did not receive Him.

12 But ^aas many as received Him, to them He gave the ¹right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

13 ^awho were born, not of blood, nor of

the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

The Word Becomes Flesh

14 ^aAnd the Word ^bbecame ^cflesh and dwelt among us, and ^dwe beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, ^efull of grace and truth.

15 ^aJohn bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, ^bHe who comes after me ¹is preferred before me, ^cfor He was before me."

16 ¹And of His ^afullness we have all received, and grace for grace.

17 For ^athe law was given through Moses, *but* ^bgrace and ^ctruth came through Jesus Christ.

18 ^aNo one has seen God at any time. ^bThe only begotten ¹Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, He has declared *Him*.

A Voice in the Wilderness

19 Now this is ^athe testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?"

20 ^aHe confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ."

21 And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you ^athe Prophet?" And he answered, "No."

22 Then they said to him, "Who are you,

1:1^aGen. 1:1; [Col. 1:17]; 1 John 1:1 ^b[John 1:14]; Rev. 19:13 ^c[John 17:5; 1 John 1:2] ^d[1 John 5:20] 1:2^aGen. 1:1 1:3^aPs. 33:6; [Eph. 3:9; Col. 1:16, 17; Heb. 1:2] 1:4^a[1 John 5:11] ^bJohn 8:12; 9:5; 12:46 1:5^a[John 3:19] ¹Or *overcome* 1:6^aMal. 3:1; Matt. 3:1–17; Mark 1:1–11; Luke 3:1–22 1:7^aJohn 3:25–36; 5:33–35 ^b[John 3:16] 1:8^aIs. 9:2; 49:6 1:9^aIs. 49:6 ¹Or *That was the true Light which, coming into the world, gives light to every man.* 1:10^aActs 13:27; 1 Cor. 8:6; Col. 1:16; Heb. 1:2 1:11^aIs. 53:3; [Luke 19:14] ¹His own things or domain ²His own people 1:12^a[John 11:52]; Gal. 3:26 ¹authority 1:13^a[John 3:5]; James 1:18; [1 Pet. 1:23; 1 John 2:29; 3:9] 1:14^aMatt. 1:16; Rev. 19:13 ^bRom. 1:3; Gal. 4:4; Phil. 2:7; 1 Tim. 3:16; Heb. 2:14; 1 John 1:1; 4:2; 2 John 7 ^cHeb. 2:11 ^dIs. 40:5; 2 Pet. 1:16–18 ^e[John 8:32; 14:6; 18:37]; Col. 1:19 1:15^aMal. 3:1; John 3:32 ^b[Matt. 3:11] ^c[Col. 1:17] ¹ranks higher than I 1:16^a[Eph. 1:23; 3:19; 4:13; Col. 1:19; 2:9] ¹NU For 1:17^a[Ex. 20:1] ^bJohn 1:14; [Rom. 5:21; 6:14] ^c[John 8:32; 14:6; 18:37] 1:18^aEx. 33:20; Matt. 11:27; 1 Tim. 6:16 ^bPs. 2:7; John 3:16, 18; 1 John 4:9 ¹NU God 1:19^aJohn 5:33 1:20^aLuke 3:15; John 3:28; Acts 13:25 1:21^aDeut. 18:15, 18; Matt. 21:11; John 6:14; 7:40



that we may give an answer to those who sent us? What do you say about yourself?"

23 He said: ^a"I am

^bThe voice of one crying
in the wilderness:

"Make straight the way of the LORD,""

as the prophet Isaiah said."

24 Now those who were sent were from the Pharisees.

25 And they asked him, saying, "Why then do you baptize if you are not the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the Prophet?"

26 John answered them, saying, ^a"I baptize with water, ^bbut there stands One among you whom you do not know.

27 ^a"It is He who, coming after me, ¹is preferred before me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose."

28 These things were done ^ain ¹Bethabara beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

The Lamb of God

29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! ^aThe Lamb of God ^bwho takes away the sin of the world!

30 "This is He of whom I said, 'After me comes a Man who ¹is preferred before me, for He was before me.'

31 "I did not know Him; but that He should be revealed to Israel, ^atherefore I came baptizing with water."

32 ^aAnd John bore witness, saying, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and He remained upon Him.

33 "I did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, ^athis is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.'

34 "And I have seen and testified that this is the ^a"Son of God."

The First Disciples

35 Again, the next day, John stood with two of his disciples.

36 And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, ^a"Behold the Lamb of God!"

37 The two disciples heard him speak, and they ^afollowed Jesus.

38 Then Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, "What do you seek?" They said to Him, "Rabbi" (which is to say, when translated, Teacher), "where are You staying?"

39 He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where He was staying, and remained with Him that day (now it was about the tenth hour).

40 One of the two who heard John *speak*, and followed Him, was ^aAndrew, Simon Peter's brother.

41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the ¹Messiah" (which is translated, the Christ).

42 And he brought him to Jesus. Now when Jesus looked at him, He said, "You are Simon the son of ¹Jonah. ^aYou shall be called Cephas" (which is translated, ²A Stone).

Philip and Nathanael

43 The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found ^aPhilip and said to him, "Follow Me."

44 Now ^aPhilip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.

45 Philip found ^aNathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom ^bMoses in the law, and also the ^cprophets, wrote—Jesus ^dof Nazareth, the ^eson of Joseph."

46 And Nathanael said to him, ^a"Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

1:23 ^aMatt. 3:3 ^bIs. 40:3; Mal. 3:1 1:26 ^aMatt. 3:11; [Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; Acts 1:5] ^bMal. 3:1; John 4:10; 8:19; 9:30; Acts 13:27

1:27 ^a[John 3:31]; Acts 19:4; [Col. 1:17] ¹ranks higher than I 1:28 ^aJudg. 7:24 ¹NU, M Bethany 1:29 ^a[Ex. 12:3]; Acts 8:32;

[1 Pet. 1:19]; Rev. 5:6–14 ^b[Is. 53:11; 1 Cor. 15:3; Gal. 1:4; 1 Pet. 2:24; 1 John 2:2; Rev. 1:5] 1:30 ¹ranks higher than I 1:31 ^aMal.

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Luke 1:35; John 11:27 1:36 ^aJohn 1:29 1:37 ^aMatt. 4:20, 22 1:40 ^aMatt. 4:18; Mark 1:29; 13:3; John 6:8; 12:22 1:41 ¹Lit.

Anointed One 1:42 ^aMatt. 16:18 ¹NU John ²Gr. Petros, usually translated Peter 1:43 ^aMatt. 10:3; John 6:5; 12:21, 22; 14:8, 9

1:44 ^aJohn 12:21 1:45 ^aJohn 21:2 ^b[Gen. 3:15; Deut. 18:18]; Luke 24:27 ^c[Is. 4:2; 7:14; 9:6; Mic. 5:2;

Zech. 6:12]; Luke 24:27 ^d[Matt. 2:23]; Luke 2:4 ^eLuke 3:23 1:46 ^aJohn 7:41, 42, 52

